

# BEAVER COUNTY, SS:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

I, George N. MacKall Prothonotary of  
the Court of Common Pleas, in and for said County, do by these  
presents certify that on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
Oct. in the year A. D. 1897, personally  
came before me John Maehlage  
a native of Germany and heretofore a  
subject of the Emperor of Germany

And having been duly sworn, according to law, made his declaration, stating that it was  
bona fide his intention to become a Citizen of the United States, and renouncing and ad-  
juring all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty  
whatever, and particularly renouncing and adjuring all allegiance and fidelity to  
the Emperor of Germany  
whereof he was a former subject.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of  
the said Court, at Beaver, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October in the  
year A. D. 1897, and of the Independence of the United States the 12<sup>th</sup>.

ATTEST:

George N. MacKall Prothonotary.